GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Ancient History, Archaeology and Vedic Science
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any concrete measures to facilitate the Universities teaching Ancient History, Archaeology, Archaic and Vedic Science as curriculum in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken serious note on the reported degradation of standards of quality faculties and Research in this field; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the various steps taken by the Government during the last three years in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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(a) to (d): The universities enjoy academic autonomy for promoting Ancient History, Archaeology, Archaic and Vedic Science as a part of curriculum. The University Grants Commission (UGC) undertakes maintenance of standards in teaching and research and for quality assurance in Universities, Deemed to be Universities and Colleges by framing regulations and schemes and disbursing grants to the eligible institutions. The UGC has notified and amended several regulations with the objective of sustenance and improvement in the quality of higher education and for undertaking academic reforms. For the development of faculty and research activity in the country, the UGC is implementing several schemes, awards, fellowships, chairs and programmes. These schemes are available at http://www.ugc.ac.in/page/XII-Plan-Guidelines.aspx for reference.